

copies of the House Journal on any day, when in his judgment the current supply will be insufficient; and be it further

Resolved, That the cost of printing such additional numbers of House Journals shall be paid out of the contingent expense fund.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

(Speaker in the chair.)

EMPLOYES OF THE HOUSE.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following employes of the House:

Manager of the stenographic force—Mrs. J. E. Crosby.

Typists for the Enrolling Room—Hobson Green, Miss Ruth Hey, Miss Naoma Fuller, Miss Adeline Alexander, Miss Billie Burke, Miss Grace Bean, Miss Ruth Autrey and Mrs. S. H. Sanders.

Typists for the Engrossing Room—Miss Rosaline Widen, Mrs. Thelma Mize, Gus Michel, Mrs. Frances Baker, Miss Marilee Davis, Miss Selma McGee, Ab Martin, Mrs. Lillie Gresham and Mrs. Cora Bills.

Committee Clerks—E. C. Stoval, Lee Signor and Sidney Grayson.

STANDING COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

Committee on Game and Fisheries.

Messrs. Wells, Chairman; Finlay, Vice-Chairman; Shearer, Woodall, Teer; Holland, Sutton, Hornaday, Petsch, Pearce, Alexander, McKean, Fuchs, Boggs, Runge, Webb, Swain, Rogers of Shelby, Wallace of Panola, Kayton, Powell, Merritt.

Judiciary Committee.

Messrs. Rawlins, Chairman; McGill, Vice-Chairman; Sinks, Cummings, Daniel, Foster, Loftin, McCombs, Minor, Moursund, Powell, Rowell, Barron, Stout, Storey, Van Zandt, Alexander, Bonham, Acker, Justice, Nabors.

Committee on Contingent Expenses.

Messrs. Davis, Chairman; Hefley, Vice-Chairman; Hall, High, Smith of Nueces. Clerk to committee, Miss Edna Rugel.

RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Satterwhite, the House, at 12 o'clock m., took recess to 3 o'clock p. m. tomorrow.

FOURTH DAY.

(Continued.)

(Saturday, January 15, 1927.)

The House met at 3 o'clock p. m. and was called to order by Speaker Bobbitt.

STANDING COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

Committee on Public Printing.

Messrs. Conway, Chairman; Branch, Vice-Chairman; Anderson, Barnett, Cornwell, Eickenroht, Harding, Holder, Swain, Turner, Whitaker.

Committee on School Districts.

Messrs. Woodall, Chairman; Long, Vice-Chairman; DeBerry, Dunlap, Duvall, Faulk, Gibson, Porter, Sanders, Shirley, Waddell.

Committee on Rules.

Messrs. Nicholson, Chairman; Sutton, Vice-Chairman; Barron, Loy, Rowell.

Committee on Public Lands and Buildings.

Messrs. Harman, Chairman; Williams of Travis, Vice-Chairman; Bateman, Cornwell, DeBerry, High, Hornaday, Justice, King of Throckmorton, Kirkland, Loftin, Olsen, Pavlica, Ramsey, Rogers of Shelby, Sutton, Veatch, Walker, Webb, Wells, Williamson.

Committee on Federal Relations.

Messrs. Dale, Chairman; Gray, Vice-Chairman; Eickenroht, Jones, Land, Pope, Smyth, Van Zandt, Wassell, Kayton, Forbes.

Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Messrs. Morse, Chairman; Daniel, Vice-Chairman; Dunlap, Gilbert, Smith of Smith.

Committee on Banks and Banking.

Messrs. Sinks, Chairman; Alexander, Vice-Chairman; Avis, Beck, Eickenroht, Gibson, Hagaman, Hefley, Kenyon, Long, Montgomery, Moore, Parish of Runnels,

Parrish of Travis, Poage, Purl, Taylor, Tillotson, Turner, Veatch, Woodruff.

Committee on Military Affairs.

Messrs. Smyth, Chairman; Cox, Vice-Chairman; Bird, Daniel, DeBerry, Denman, Kayton, Masterson, Morse, Rogers of Shelby, Satterwhite.

EMPLOYES OF THE HOUSE.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following employees of the House:

Stenographers—Miss Bernice Spiller, Miss Helen Young, Miss Jesse Tegner, Miss Gladys Lindsey, Mrs. Myrtis Wilson, Miss Coleman, Mrs. R. O. Smith.

Clerk to the Appropriation Committee, W. E. McGuire.

Committee Clerk, C. B. Lyda.

Supervisor for Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, W. R. Nabours.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees as follows:

By Mr. Loftin, Mr. Woodall and Mr. Dale:

H. B. No. 127, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prevent deception in the sale of paints, oils, naval stores, turpentine, and providing for true labels for the same when offered for sale; providing for the enforcement of this act by the Food and Drug Division of the State Board of Health; providing for the appointment of a chemist and an inspector by the Director of the Food and Drug Division of the State Board of Health for the enforcement of this act; providing for penalties for the violation of this act; making appropriations for the payment of a chemist and an inspector to be appointed by the Director of the Food and Drug Division of the State Board of Health for the purposes of the enforcement of this act; and making an appropriation for traveling and clerical expenses incurred by the Director of the Food and Drug Division of the State Board of Health and his inspector and chemist in the enforcement of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Graves and Mr. Cummings:

H. B. No. 128, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the examina-

tion, testing and reading of electric light, power, natural and artificial gas meters used by private concerns to determine the amount of power or gas used by their consumers, on complaint made by any of said consumers, in incorporated cities, towns or villages having a population of forty thousand (40,000) or less, within this State; said examination, testing and reading to be made by the agents of the city council or city commissioners in said cities, towns or villages on complaint being made as aforesaid to them by said consumers; and further providing for the making of reports to such complaining consumers as to results of said tests, reading and examination; providing a penalty for refusal to comply with any of the provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Municipal and Private Corporations.

By Mr. Barron:

H. B. No. 129, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 164 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, providing that the commissioners court of any county in this State be authorized to establish and conduct co-operative demonstration work in agricultural and home economics in co-operation with the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas; upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon by the commissioners court and the agents of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas; and providing that any such court may employ such means and appropriate and expend such sums of money, as may be necessary to effectively carry on such demonstration work in agriculture and home economics in their respective counties, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Kittrell and Mr. Acker:

H. B. No. 130, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 921a, Title 26, Revised Statutes, 1925, providing for the erection, establishment and control of mausoleums within incorporated towns or cities with a population of not less than forty thousand inhabitants, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Municipal and Private Corporations.

By Mr. Acker, Mr. Forbes, Mr. Kittrell and Mr. Williams of Travis:

H. B. No. 131, A bill to be entitled

"An Act to amend Article 710 of the Code of Criminal Procedure with reference to permitting the defendant to testify in his own behalf."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Kittrell and Mr. Acker:

H. B. No. 132, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1302, Section 87, Chapter 1, Title 32, Revised Statutes, 1925, providing for the creation of corporations to maintain a public or private cemetery mausoleum, or crematory, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Municipal and Private Corporations.

By Mr. Kittrell, Mr. Sinks, Mr. Williams of Travis, Mr. Forbes and Mr. Acker:

H. B. No. 133, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 650 and 651 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, allowing defendants jointly indicted or defendants indicted for offenses growing out of the same transaction the right to apply for severance and ask for a separate trial; regulating the procedure under such application and leaving the action thereon to the sound discretion of the trial court."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Black:

H. B. No. 134, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the hunting or taking of any wild game in Limestone county, Texas, by trapping or the use of any mechanical device for a period of five years; prescribing penalty for the violation of its provisions; providing for the Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner and his deputies to have jurisdiction in the enforcement of the same, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Moore:

H. B. No. 135, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7071 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas for 1925, relating to the occupation tax based on gross receipts of individuals, companies, corporations and associations engaged in the business of producing oil from oil wells in Texas, so as to increase the occupational tax from two (2) per cent to four (4) per cent of the value of the total amount of oil produced by such individuals, com-

panies, corporations and associations, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Rogers of Hays, Mr. McKean, Mr. Porter and Mr. Bass:

H. B. No. 136, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the control and eradication of the pink bollworm of cotton for the two years beginning September 1, 1927, and ending August 31, 1929, and from the date of the passage of this act to August 31, 1927; making it the duty of the Commissioner of Agriculture to use employes provided for herein for any duties necessary to be performed in the control and eradication of other crop pests, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Gilbert, Mr. Cummings and Mr. Hall:

H. B. No. 137, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2350 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, changing the year upon which is based the assessed valuation of taxable properties affected by the act to be amended relating to the compensation of county commissioners, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Storey:

H. B. No. 138, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create Road District No. 4 of Wilbarger county, Texas; validating and approving all orders made by the commissioners court of said county in respect to the organization of said district; validating the authorization of certain road bonds thereof, and providing for the issuance and sale thereof; authorizing the commissioners court to levy and provide for the assessment and collection of general ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in said road district in payment of principal and interest on said bonds; approving and validating all orders of the commissioners court of said county in respect of said road district, bonds and taxes, or certified copies thereof, and constituting such orders legal evidence; evidencing proof of publication of constitutional notice required in such acts, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

By Mr. Holland:

H. B. No. 139, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriation to the

Live Stock Sanitary Commission in the sum of ten thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, out of the general fund, not otherwise appropriated, to pay the State of Texas one-half of such claim or claims as may be due for the loss or destruction of horses in Harris county during the hoof and mouth epidemic of 1925, after same have been approved; and empowering and directing the Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Texas to investigate, hear evidence and approve or disapprove all claims, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Holland:

H. B. No. 140, A bill to be entitled "An Act to permit applicants for writs of habeas corpus in all criminal cases where the maximum penalty for such offense does not exceed the punishment of confinement in the State penitentiary for more than ten years, when the relief prayed for by such applicant is denied by the judge or the court that applicant's petition is filed in a court of competent jurisdiction, and appeal is taken from such judgment or order of the trial court to the Court of Criminal Appeals of the State of Texas, such applicant may execute a good and sufficient bond, to be approved by the court or judge as now provided under provisions of Title 10 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas, 1925, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Stell:

H. B. No. 141, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a cost finding and price recommending commission; providing the manner of appointment, the tenure of office; prescribing their duties and qualifications, and providing for a plan of co-operation between said commission and any similar commission created by any other State in recommending a profitable price for cotton, cottonseed, and other staple farm products; and providing that all departments of the State government and all institutions using State funds shall give their support in an educational way to the advocacy of profitable prices for cotton, cottonseed and other staple farm products as recommended by the State Marketing and Price Recommending Commission; and providing that the State Department of Agriculture and the A. and M. College shall, through their different agencies, bureaus, field workers,

farm demonstrators, bulletins and other publications, give publicity to any and all prices recommended by the commission; making an appropriation to pay the per diem and expenses of the commission, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Daniel:

H. B. No. 142, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the compensation of the official shorthand reporters in the Seventy-eighth and Eighty-ninth Judicial Districts, Wichita county, Texas; prescribing the method of payment, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Mr. Daniel:

H. B. No. 143, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1, Chapter 28, page 50, Acts of the Regular Session, Thirty-eighth Legislature of the State of Texas of 1923, and being Article 6820 of Title 117 of the Revised Statutes of Texas of 1925, relating to traveling and other expenses of judges of the district courts and district attorneys when in the actual discharge of their official duties in any county other than the county of their residence; providing for the payment of such expenses by the State upon sworn itemized accounts of such officers; providing for the recording of such accounts in the minutes of the district court of the county in which such officer resides, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION ON FIRST READING.

The following House joint resolution, introduced today, was laid before the House, read first time, and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments:

By Mr. Acker, Mr. Kittrell, Mr. Williams of Travis and Mr. Sinks:

H. J. R. No. 11, Proposing an amendment to Article V of the Constitution of the State of Texas for the improvement of the Judicial System of the State of Texas.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Wallace of Freestone, the House, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. next Monday.

APPENDIX.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The following committees have to-day filed favorable reports on bills as follows:

Judiciary: House bills Nos. 27, 28, 30, 31, 32, 33.

Appropriations: Senate bill No. 1.

FIFTH DAY.

(Monday, January 17, 1927.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Bobbitt.

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Acker.	Holland.
Albritton.	Hornaday.
Alexander.	Johnson.
Anderson.	Jones.
Avis.	Justice.
Barnett.	Kemble.
Bass.	Kennedy.
Beck.	Kincaid.
Bird.	King of Hopkins.
Black.	King of
Boggs.	Throckmorton.
Bonham.	Kinnear.
Boon.	Kirby.
Branch.	Kirkland.
Brown.	Kittrell.
Conway.	Land.
Cornwell.	Lipscomb.
Cox.	Loftin.
Dale.	Long.
Daniel.	Loy.
Davis.	Masterson.
DeBerry.	McCombs.
Denman.	McGill.
Dielmann.	McKean.
Dunlap.	Merritt.
Durham.	Minor.
Duval.	Montgomery.
Enderby.	Moore.
Eickenroht.	Morse.
Faulk.	Murphy.
Fly.	Nabors.
Forbes.	Nicholson.
Fuchs.	Olsen.
Gates.	Parish
Gibson.	of Runnels.
Gilbert.	Parrish of Travis.
Graves.	Pavlica.
Gray.	Pearce.
Hagaman.	Petsch.
Hall.	Poage.
Harding.	Pope.
Harman.	Porter.
Hefley.	Powell.
High.	Purl.

Ramsey.	Swain.
Reagan.	Taylor.
Renfro.	Teer.
of Angelina.	Tillotson.
Renfro of Mills.	Turner.
Rogers of Hays.	Van Zandt.
Rogers of Shelby.	Veatch.
Rowell.	Waddell.
Runge.	Walker.
Sanders.	Wallace
Satterwhite.	of Freestone.
Shaver.	Wallace of Panola.
Shearer.	Wallace of Smith.
Sheats.	Ware.
Shirley.	Wassell.
Simmons.	Webb.
Sinks.	Wells.
Smith of El Paso.	Whitaker.
Smith of Nueces.	Williams
Smith of Smith.	of Sabine.
Smyth.	Williams
Snelgrove.	of Travis.
Stell.	Williamson.
Stevenson.	Woodall.
Storey.	Woodruff.
Stout.	Young.
Sutton.	

Absent—Excused.

Barron.	Kayton.
Bateman.	Kenyon.
Cummings.	Moursund.
Farrar.	Pool.
Finlay.	Rawlins.
Foster.	Smith
Holder.	of Atascosa.
Jacks.	

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Pool for today, on motion of Mr. McGill.

Mr. Bonham for last Saturday, on motion of Mr. McGill.

Mr. Foster for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Kemble.

Mr. Dielmann, Mr. Moursund and Mr. Kayton for today, on motion of Mr. Williamson.

Mr. Rawlins for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. McCombs.

Mr. Barron for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Stout.

Mr. Kenyon for today, on motion of Mr. Shearer.

Mr. Smith of Atascosa for today, on motion of Mr. Shearer.